

the terminal scute hard, yellow, and almost square at the end, the inconspicuous points being side by side, not superposed; subcaudals 13. Back uniform black nacreous, belly with two rows of the scales on each side of the ventrals yellow; chin and the anterior first inch or so of the belly black; tail black beneath, but with a yellow band on each side; upper labials yellow.

Hab. "High Wavy" mountain, Madura district, 5000 feet elevation.

B. *Number of scutes less than 160.*

a. *Caudal disk flat; snout obtuse.*

SILYBURA MADURENSIS, n. sp.

Scales in 17 rows, abdominals 142-149. Rostral very small, obtusely conical; nasals large, forming a suture behind the rostral; vertical distinctly six-sided; caudal disk flat, each scale with 1-2 very prominent keels; terminal scute sharply bicuspid, the points side by side; subcaudals 7-8. Back black, very iridescent, each scale girt with a narrow white rim; belly orange-yellow, with very irregular broad black markings, which sometimes meet and form cross bars.

Hab. "High Wavy" mountain, Madura district, elevation 5500 feet.

5. A Note on *Pæoptera lugubris*, Bp.

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(Plate XLIX.)

This species was first described by Prince Bonaparte, in the 'Comptes Rendus' for 1854, as *Pæoptera lugubris*, as he thought it was the Abyssinian *Muscicapa lugubris* of Müller (Beitr. Orn. Afr. Taf. ii.); and it was on account of this confusion of names that Dr. Brüggemann wrote his note in the 'Annals of Natural History' for 1877 (xx. p. 244), and suggested that the species should be called *Pæoptera cryptopyrrha* (Cabanis). When he states, however, that the species had no name of its own until 1876, he is mistaken; for the title "*lugubris*, Bonap." was adopted for the species by Dr. Hartlaub (Orn. Westafr. p. 69), which was sufficient to fix the specific name. But on reading Bonaparte's description again, I find that I missed the point of it, and Dr. Brüggemann does not appear to have consulted the original description, having been incited to write his notice probably by the footnote to the genus *Pæoptera* in my 'Catalogue,' wherein I hinted that Bonaparte had so confused his species with Müller's *Muscicapa lugubris* that the title ought perhaps to be rejected. I am sorry to have led Dr. Brüggemann wrong, for I had overlooked the fact that when Bonaparte described the *Pæoptera* he added:—"Nous appellerons l'espèce *lugubris*, qu'elle



J G Keulemans lith.

Hanbart imp

PŒOPTERA LUGUBRIS.

